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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Canner et al.

Serial No.: 09/975,689

Filed: October 11, 2001

Examiner: Monplaisir G. Hamilton

Group Art Unit: 2135

For: ASSESSMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on July 1, 2004, in connection with the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period for reply was October 1, 2004. Therefore, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0540 in the amount of \$215.00 for extending the period for response for a small entity to December 1, 2004. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed. Accordingly, this Response is being timely submitted. No other fees are believed due, however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. In response to the Official Action mailed on July 1, 2004, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.

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Effective October 1, 2001

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS	30
FOR	NUMBER FILED
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	30 minus 20=
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6 minus 3=
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT	<input type="checkbox"/>

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEES	RATE	FEES
BASIC FEE	370.00	OR	BASIC FEE 740.00
X\$ 9=		OR	X\$18= 180
X42=		OR	X84= 252
+140=		OR	+280=
		TOTAL	1172

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
		Minus	**	
Total	* 31	Minus	** 30	= 1
Independent	* 6	Minus	*** 6	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				<input type="checkbox"/>

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	18
X42=		X84=	
+140=		+280=	
		TOTAL	ADDI. FEE

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
		Minus	**	
Total	* 6	Minus	**	=
Independent	* 6	Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				<input type="checkbox"/>

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X42=		X84=	
+140=		+280=	
		TOTAL	ADDI. FEE

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA
		Minus	**	
Total	* 6	Minus	**	=
Independent	* 6	Minus	***	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				<input type="checkbox"/>

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X42=		X84=	
+140=		+280=	
		TOTAL	ADDI. FEE

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.